

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1106  
By Winningham

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Jonathan P. Goodwin, Amanda Keeling, and Lance R. Pirl for their exemplary service as Legislative Pages.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Jonathan P. Goodwin, Amanda Keeling, and Lance R. Pirl are such individuals who have distinguished themselves in their roles as Legislative Pages for Representative Leslie Winningham, Representative Jere Hargrove and Senator Charlotte Burks; their work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators they served and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, highly regarded students in the Jackson County and Gainesboro school systems, Mr. Goodwin, Miss Keeling, and Mr. Pirl have excelled in academics, as well as in extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, a sixth grade student at Jackson County Middle School, Jonathan Goodwin is an accomplished member of Mrs. Donnitta Smith's homeroom class, and he has established himself as an exemplary scholar, as he has consistently earned recognition on the A & B Honor Roll; and

WHEREAS, a gifted athlete, Jonathan has been an integral part of the Cookeville Youth Football League and the Middle Tennessee Youth Football League Varsity Team in Jackson County, which finished the season with an 8-2 record and achieved 3rd Place overall in the 2003 Conference Championships; he plans to play on the JCMS Blue Devils Football team during the upcoming season; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Black Belt Club at Jack Scott's United Karate Studio, Jonathan has attained Red Belt Status; additionally, Jonathan has played on various Soccer and Basketball teams, as well as participating in the Swim team for the Putnam County YMCA and the Cookeville Basketball League; and

WHEREAS, a gifted musician, Jonathan has played Clarinet in the Prescott Band, and is a current member of the Jackson County Middle School Band, in which he plays Alto Sax; and

WHEREAS, Jonathan participates in various 4-H contests each year and attends the Tennessee State Speech and Debate Tournament at Tennessee Technological University as an Elementary Student Observer of Public Speaking; he has won 2nd Place and received Honorable Mention at his level for the physical category of the Cumberland Plateau Science/Engineering Fair at Tennessee Technological University; and

WHEREAS, Jonathan's myriad accomplishments are a source of pride for his mother, Kimberly L. Young, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, a highly respected ninth grade student at Jackson County High School, Amanda Keeling is an active and important part of her school and community, participating in the Future Farmers of America, which has awarded her 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Stick Welding and in Board Fitting; the Fellowship of Christian Athletes; and the local 4-H Club, where she participates in the Demonstration Contest; she has passed the Tennessee Wildlife Resource Education Exam, and holds a certificate in Hunter Safety; she is also a member of the YMCA; and

WHEREAS, a talented athlete, Amanda has played Soccer for the past seven years, Basketball for the past four years, participated in "Hoops for Heart," and holds a Yellow Belt with two Green Tips from Jack Scott's United Karate Studio; and

WHEREAS, Amanda's laudable achievements are a great source of pride for her parents, Melinda Edmonds, and Gary and Donna Keeling, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, a highly regarded sixth grade student at Jackson County Middle School, Lance Pirl is a member of Mrs. Donnitta Smith's homeroom; and

WHEREAS, displaying outstanding academic performance, Lance has attained eminence on the A & B Honor Roll; and

WHEREAS, a gifted musician, Lance has been an integral part of numerous Band activities, playing the Trumpet; and

WHEREAS, excelling in athletics as well, Lance has played T-Ball and Coaches Pitch Baseball for four years, Youth Basketball for two years, and he intends to play Football for the JCMS Blue Devils during the upcoming season; and

WHEREAS, an active and important member of the local 4-H Club, Lance has participated in Public Speaking Contests, Poster Contests, and Demonstration Contests; his "Protecting Our Wildlife" poster won 1st Place on the local level in the Soil Conservation Poster Contest and won 2nd Place on the State level; and

WHEREAS, Lance's numerous accomplishments are a great source of pride to his parents, George and Shelia Pirl, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Goodwin, Miss Keeling, and Mr. Pirl have been described as "bright, hard-working young students who are possessed of exceptional communication skills; they are cheerful individuals of high integrity and character who exhibit their superiority as students without arrogance. They are dependable, cooperative, and resourceful, while still possessing the ability to work independently"; and

WHEREAS, eager to learn more about the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee State government, Jonathan, Amanda, and Lance brought their many abilities and skills to Capitol Hill for the 2004 session of the One Hundred and Third General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2004 legislative session, Mr. Goodwin, Miss Keeling, and Mr. Pirl have surpassed all expectations during their service as Legislative Pages and have performed their duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore ,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Jonathan P. Goodwin, Amanda Keeling, and Lance R. Pirl for their outstanding service as Legislative Pages for Representatives Leslie Winningham, Representative Jere Hargrove and Senator Charlotte Burks, and we extend to them our best wishes for every future happiness and success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.